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SUBJECT: BDG INTEREST IN EXPORTING PRIMATES

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1. CONSULTATION MEETING WAS HELD AT NIH AUGUST 4TH ON SIZE, SCOPE AND FEASIBILITY OF ASSISTING BDG CONDUCT NATIONAL PRIMATE SURVEY AND ENTERING INTO LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENTS TO EXPORT RHESUS MONKEYS, AS PROPOSED REFTEL A. ALTHOUGH A SIZEABLE UNDERTAKING, THE PROPOSAL IS CONSIDERED FEASIBLE AND NEXT STEP IS TO REVIEW IT FOR PRIORITY IN FUNDING.

2. SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PRIMATE SUPPLY, BEING CONVENED BY NIH ON SEPTEMBER 14, WILL REVIEW PROJECT CONCEPT. IF RECOMMENDATION OF COMMITTEE IS FAVORABLE, AGREEMENT COULD THEN BE DEVELOPED WITH BDG. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, NIH WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION'S JUDGMENT AS TO POSSIBILITY OF PUTTING TOGETHER AN AGREEMENT BY CORRESPONDENCE OR WHETHER A NIH REPRESENTATIVE'S PRESENCE IN DACCA WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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3. NIH AUTHORITIES RECOGNIZE THE URGENCY OF THIS MATTER FOR

BDG OFFICIALS BUT MUST COMPLETE THE PRELIMINARY REVIEW
PROCESS HERE BEFORE ENTERING UPON COMMITMENTS. HABIB

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